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APPARATUS, IMAGE FORMING  
APPARATUS, AND COMPUTER  
PRODUCT

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Prior to patent issuance, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.